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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Bhugra et al.

Serial No.: 10/688,353

Filed: October 17, 2003

For: CAM-BASED SEARCH ENGINES THAT SUPPORT PIPELINED MULTI-DATABASE SEARCH OPERATIONS USING REPLACEMENT SEARCH KEY SEGMENTS

Date: January 30, 2004

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**PETITION TO ACCORD THE PROPER FILING DATE**

Sir:

As set forth in 37 CFR § 1.10(c) and MPEP § 506.02, Applicant hereby petitions to grant the proper filing date of October 17, 2003 rather than October 20, 2003 for the above-identified patent application as this was the date the application was deposited as "Express Mail" in the U.S. Postal Service. The following is enclosed as evidence of October 17, 2003 being the correct filing date for the application, which was properly filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10:

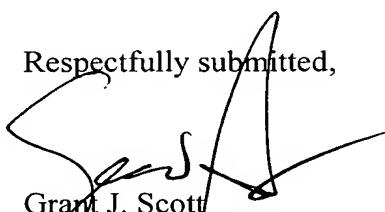
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On the basis that Applicant properly followed the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.10 and the USPTO failed to accord the proper filing date under MPEP § 505 and thus the need to file this petition is due to error on the part of the USPTO, it is applicant's belief that no fee is due with this petition. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

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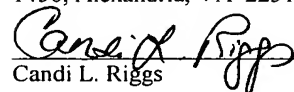


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) is:

- ☐ a patent application  
☐ a Continuation ☐ a Divisional ☒ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application no.: 10/620,161; filed July 15, 2003, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.  
☐ and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_; filed \_\_\_\_\_.

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Entitled: **CAM-BASED SEARCH ENGINES THAT SUPPORT PIPELINED MULTI-DATABASE SEARCH OPERATIONS USING REPLACEMENT SEARCH KEY SEGMENTS**

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  - c. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
6. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)

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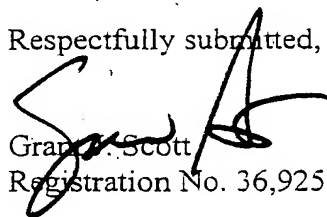
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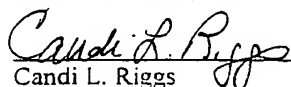
  
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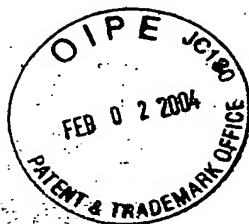
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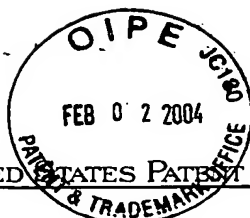
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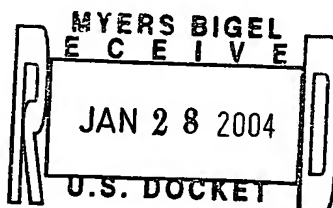
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